



Potomac Yard Metro Station Update

March 11, 2015

Overview

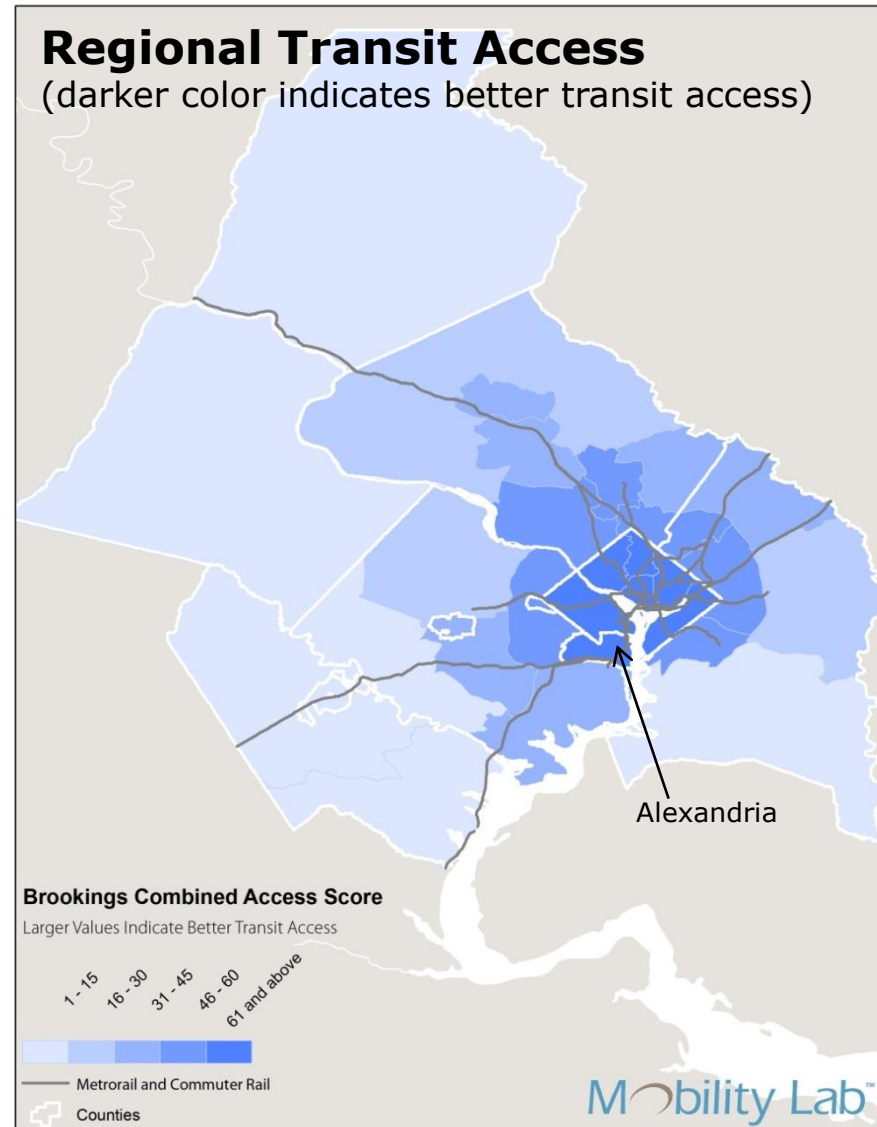
- Overview
- Why a Metro Station?
- NEPA Process & DEIS Status
- Financial Feasibility
- Key Impact Areas
- Planned Outreach
- Next Steps

NEPA: National Environmental Policy Act

DEIS: Draft Environmental Impact Statement

Alexandria in the Region

- Located in the core of the Washington region
- Good access to jobs and other opportunities
- Highly desirable place to live, work, and play
- Continued regional growth = continued development pressure
- How are we responding?



Potomac Yard



North Potomac Yard Small Area Plan

- Increased density must be supported by appropriate infrastructure, such as open space and parks, retail, schools, and **transit**



Metrorail Station



NEPA Process

- Why NEPA?
- What is NEPA?
- Who are our partners?
 - **Federal Transit Administration (FTA)**
 - **National Park Service (NPS)**
 - **Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA)**

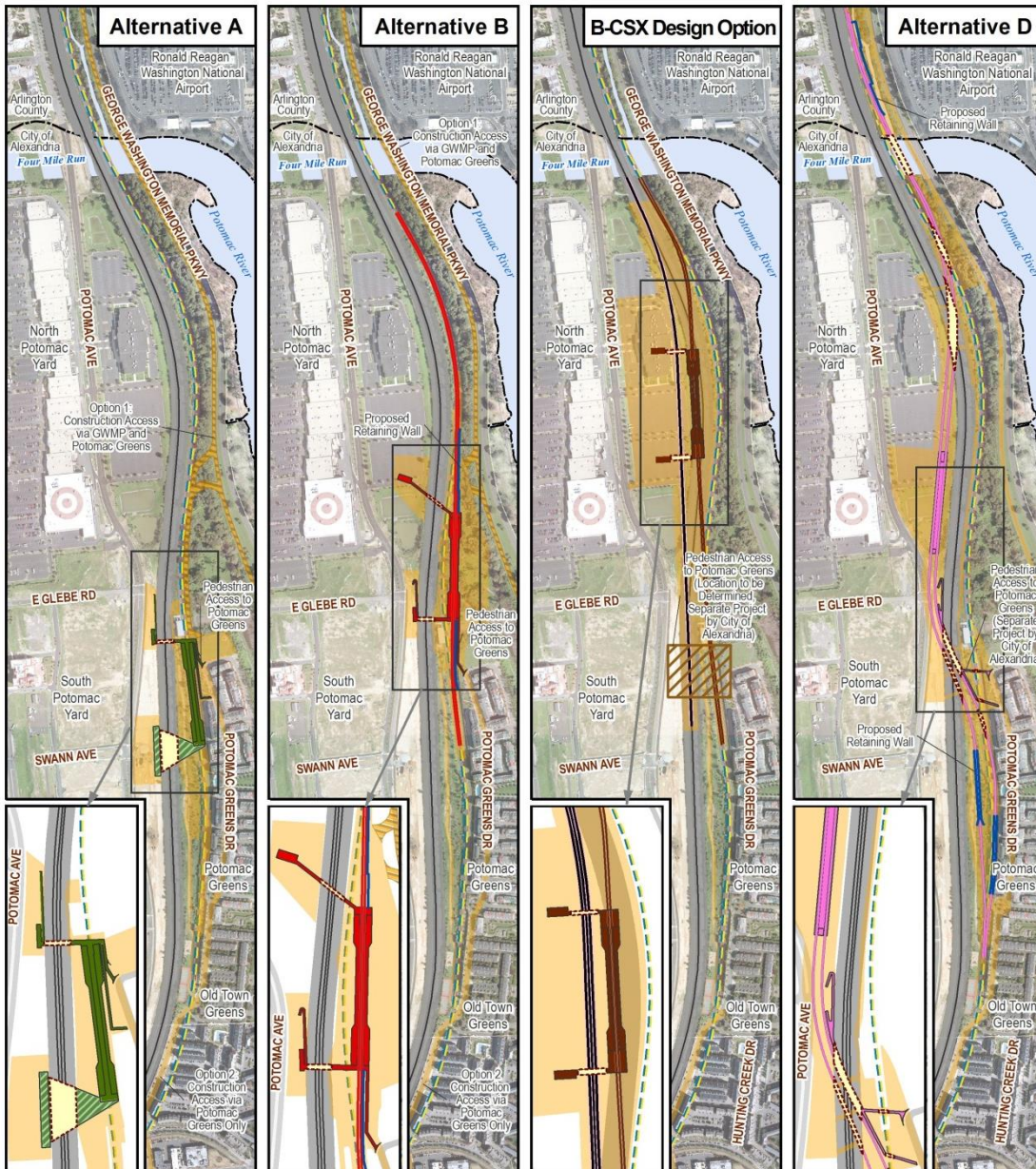


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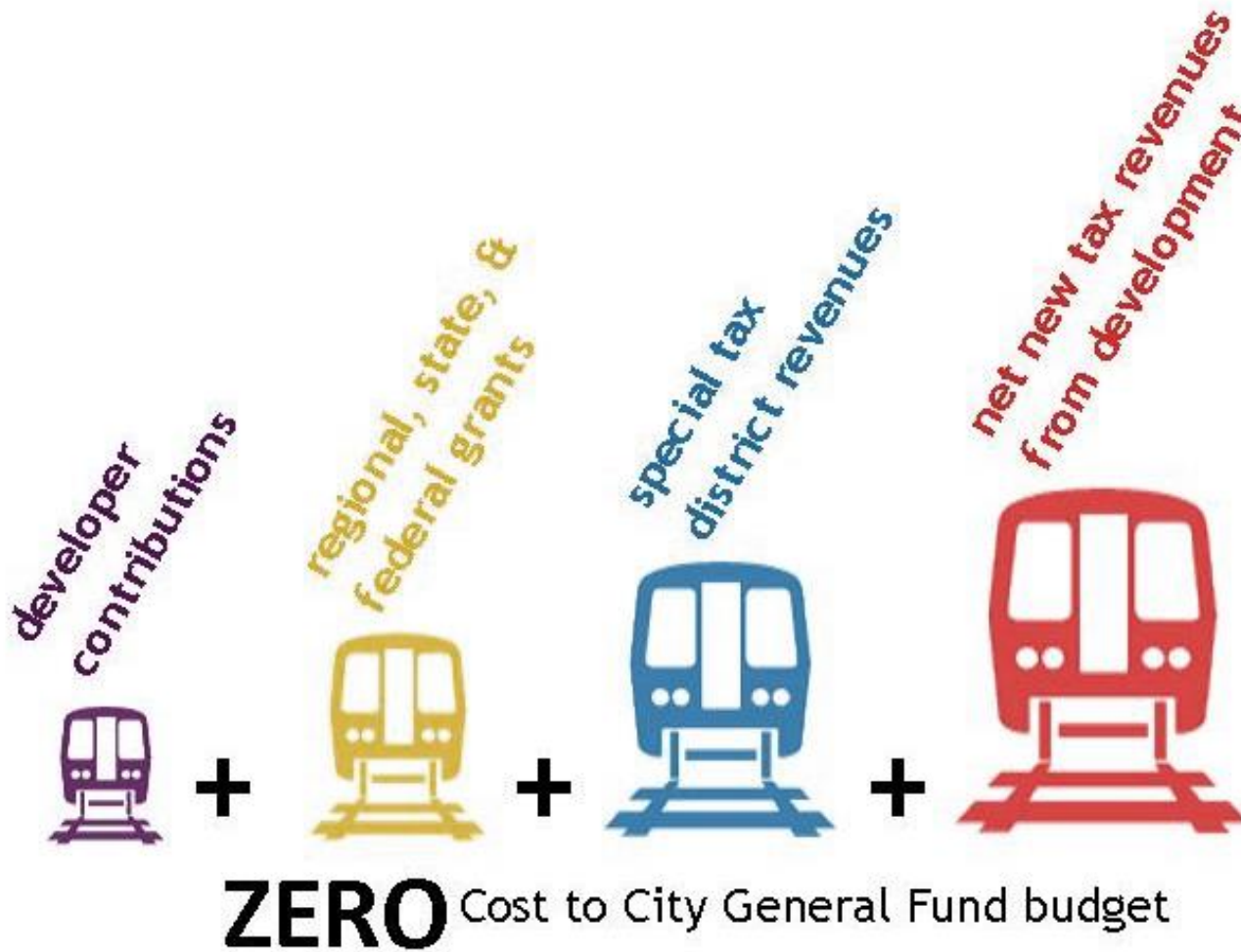
Status of DEIS



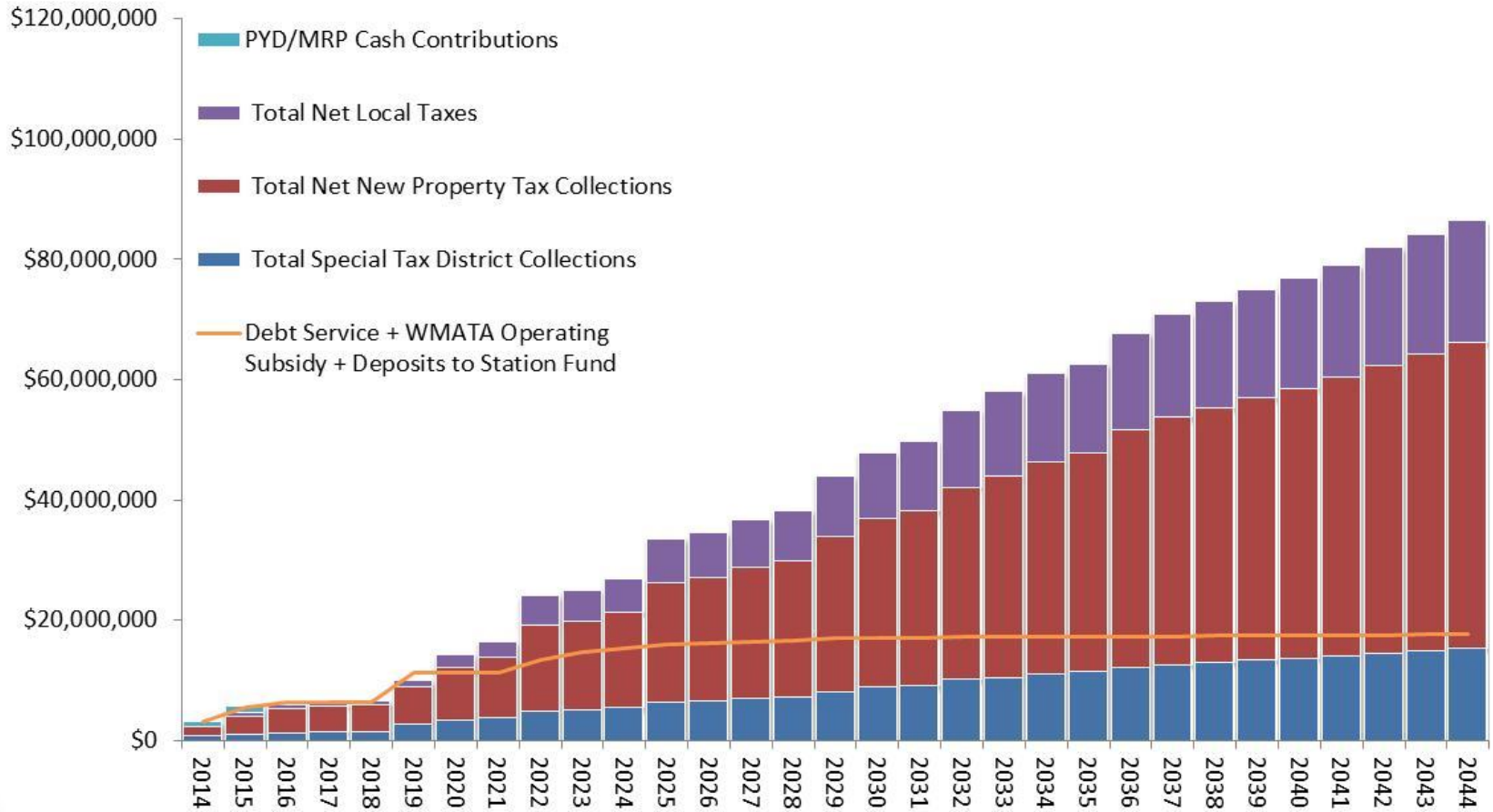
- DEIS submitted to FTA & NPS for final review
- Anticipated public release Q1 2015

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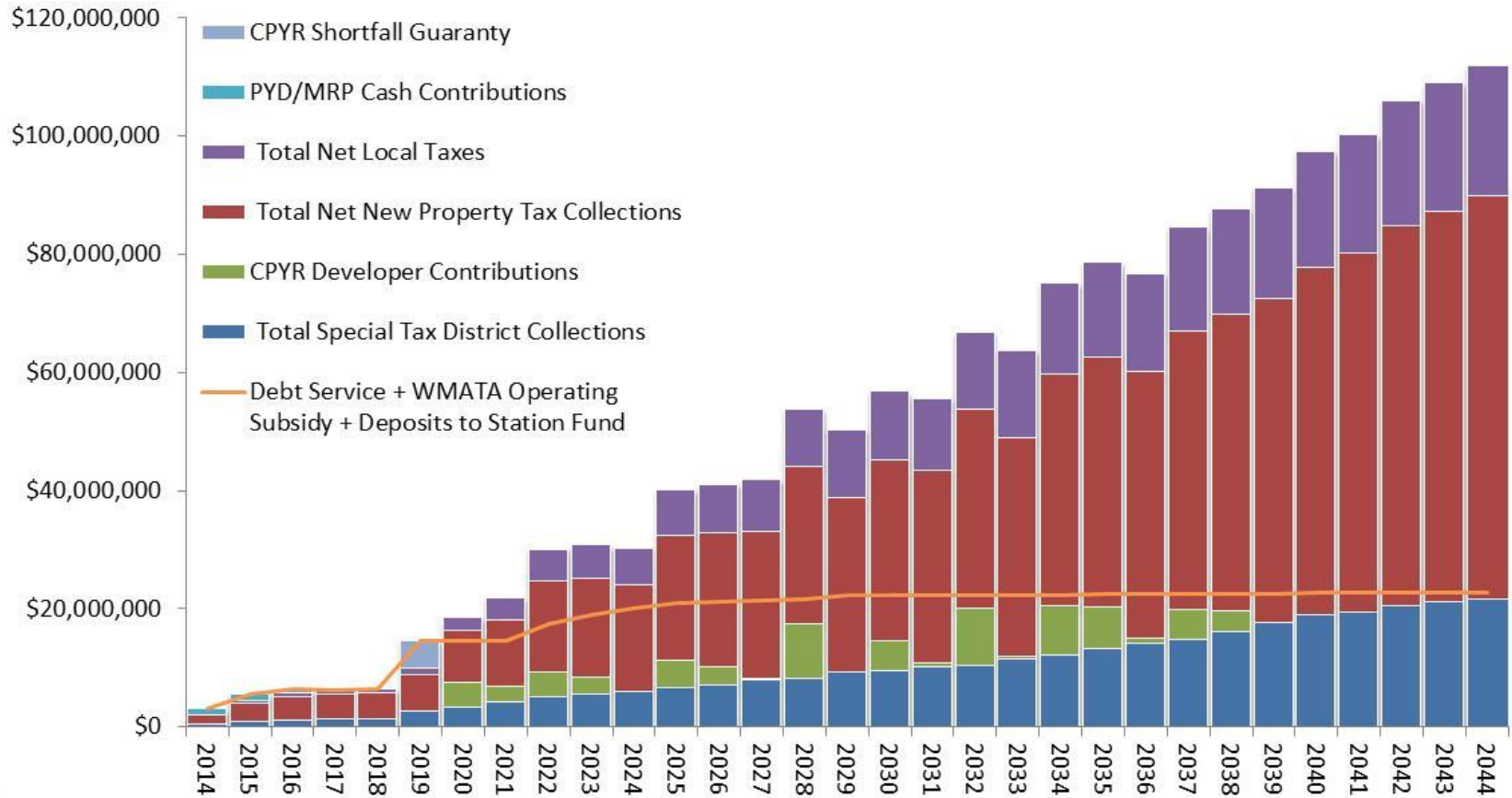
Funding Sources



Cash Flow – Alternative A



Cash Flow – Alternative B



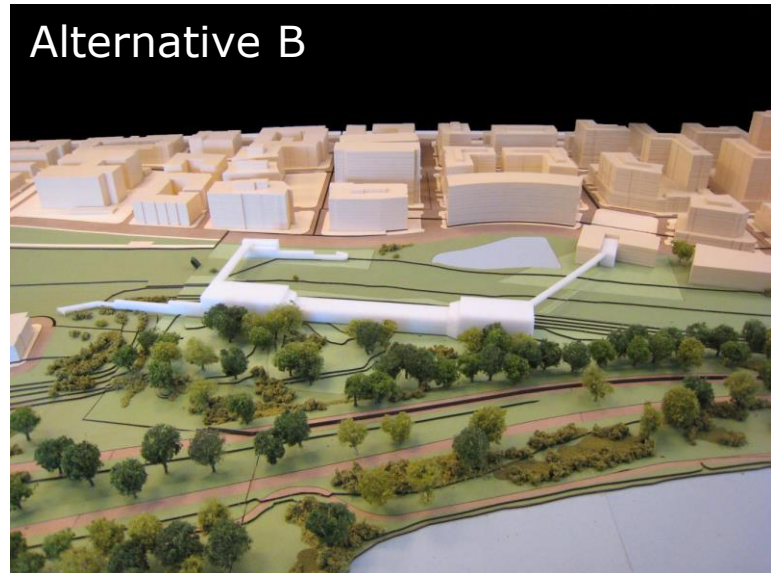
Key Impact Areas to Consider

- Noise & Vibration
- Construction Access
- Neighborhoods
- Local Plans
- Transportation
- Visual Resources
- Wetlands
- Secondary & Cumulative Effects

Alternative A



Alternative B



Overview of Outreach Plans

Phase	Timeframe
Pre-DEIS Release <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Overview of key issues	Winter 2015
DEIS Release <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Detailed review of DEIS	Winter/Spring 2015
Staff Recommendation <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Discussion of staff recommendation	Spring 2015
Preferred Alternative	Spring 2015

Opportunities for Comment on the DEIS

- In writing:
 - Emails to comments@potomacyardmetro.com
 - Letters to address provided in DEIS
 - Comment cards at public meetings
 - Workshops
 - Board and Commission meetings
- In person:
 - Public hearing
 - WMATA/NEPA public hearing

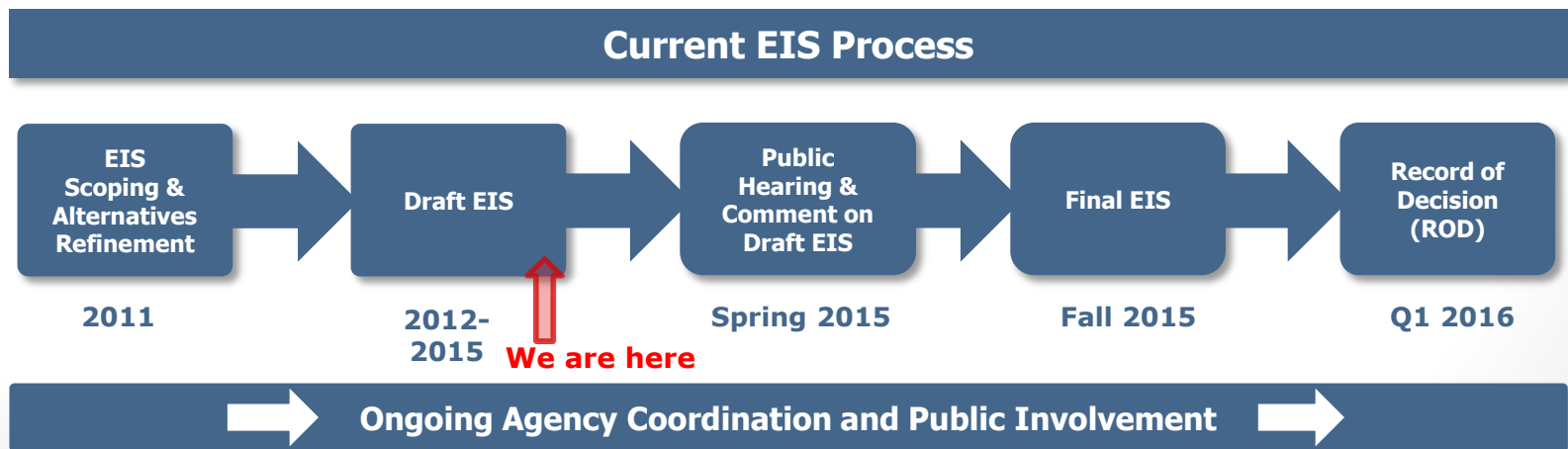
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Next Steps

- Final review and signoff of DEIS by FTA and NPS (Q1 2015)
- Public release of DEIS (Q1 2015)
- Preferred alternative decision by City Council (Q2 2015)
- Complete Final EIS (Q4 2015)
- Record of Decision (Q1 2016)





Thank You

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